

Public Servants – A.P.C.S. (Ex. Br.) – Irregularities committed by Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, former Deputy Collector (Flying Squad), Registration & Stamps Department, Guntur - Disciplinary action initiated – Enquiry conducted by the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Guntur – Show-cause notice issued – Explanation submitted – Further action dropped.

REVENUE (VIG-III) DEPARTMENT

Dated:11-11-2008.
Read the following:-

1. From the Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Lr.No.52/RCO-NNL/98, dt: 17.6.99.
2. From the Commissioner & Inspector General of Registration & Stamps, Hyderabad, Lr.No.X2/9314/98, dt: 18.9.2000.
3. G.O.Ms.No.22, Rev. (Ser.V(1)) Deptt., dt:8.1.2001.
4. G.O.Rt.No.75, Rev. (Ser.V(1)) Deptt., dt:8.1.2001.
5. From Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, Deputy Collector (Retd.) dt:29.10.2001.
6. G.O.Rt.No.309, Rev. (Vig.III)) Deptt., dt:8.02.2006.
7. From the Deputy inspector General of Registration and Stamps, Guntur, Lr.No.A1/221/2006, dt: 19.5.2007.
8. Govt. Memo.No.6355/Vig.III (1)/2001-11, Rev. (Vig.III) Deptt., dt:24.5.2008.
9. Explanation received from Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, former Deputy Collector (Retd.), dt: 23.6.2008 and 5.7.2008.

ORDER:

On the allegations of irregularities committed by Sri D. Dasaradha Reddy, former Deputy Collector (Flying Squad), Registration & Stamps Department, Guntur district, viz., that he has committed the offence of criminal misconduct in abuse of his official position motivated by corrupt consideration, by under-valuing the stamp duty and registration fee payable to the Government and thereby caused wrong full loss to a tune of Rs.11,49,545/-, disciplinary action has been initiated and Articles of Charges were issued against him, calling for his explanation for the said charges. He has submitted his explanation. As the same is not convincing, the matter has been entrusted to the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps Department, Guntur district for conducting a detailed enquiry into the said charges and to submit the enquiry report.

2. The Inquiry Officer has submitted its report informing that, on the basis of the documentary and oral evidence adduced in the case before him and in view of the reasons given in the report, that the charge against Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, former Deputy Collector, Flying Squad, Guntur now retired is held proved.

3. A show cause notice has been issued on Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, former DC, Flying Squad, Guntur and now retired as to why a punishment of with holding pension 100% and gratuity in full permanently, besides recovery of loss caused to Government Rs.11, 49,545/- under Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 should not be imposed on him for the charges held proved.

4. Sri D. Dasaratha Reddy, former Deputy Collector (retired) has submitted his explanation stating that the allegations relate to the period of June/July 1997 and at no point of time, the delay is on his part. Therefore it is not reasonable, not rationale and unjust to impose the proposed action of punishment after lapse of nearly 11 years. The then Commissioner & Inspector General, Registraton&Stamps, A.P., Hyderabad in Memo. dt:12.6.1977 directed him to conduct 100% special super check of properties effected by the documents which were registered by Sri B. Sambasiva Rao and M. Radha Krishna Murthy, the then Joint Sub-Registrar-I & II Nellore respectively, within a month and to submit his findings. At the same time, the Deputy Inspector General, Registration & Stamps in Proc. Dt:22.6.1997 nominated him to check the documents registered in June, 1997 in the Registration office, Nellore, Accordingly, he taken up both works allotted by the CIG, R &S and DIG, R&S, Guntur and he completed on

priority basis, in addition to his normal duties. There is no negligence on his part, that with reference to documents Nos.3625/97 and 3626/97, the Rule 3 register reveals that they are Agricultural properties and he is no way responsible for the loss of revenue as alleged in the charges. It is not the allegation that he admitted documents No.3625/97 and 3626/97 for registration and it is learnt that no action has been taken upon the then District Registrar who is immediate supervising officer, but the Govt. proceeded against him merely on the ground that he failed to super check the above documents. As per the charge memo. he and Sri Sri Kishan, the then Assist. District Registrar, both were nominated to super check the documents and he was imposed with minor penalties.

5. He has further stated that the properties mentioned in the document No.3625/97 and 3626/97 are agricultural lands, they have not come under the purview of super checking. The total documents registered may be 670, but as per instructions, he has supposed to super check only urban properties (documents) and not the all properties. Only with a view to project the issue, so grave, the numbers of properties are mentioned as 670. The entire alleged difference amount has been collected from the concerned parties and remitted to the Government as reported by the District Registrar, Nellore in his letter dt: 30.11.2001 and therefore question of loss to the Govt. revenue does not arise and therefore the enquiry officer ought to have come to the conclusion there is no need to enquire anything further. The Enquiry Officer did not deal with his defence properly and on that he reported that the charge is proved. The Enquiry Officer did not discuss the evidence and without examining his explanation, he recorded the findings and proper opportunity has not been given to him in the enquiry. In a single case alone an amount of Rs.3,03,875.00 towards the deficit stamp duty and deficit registration fee was detected by him on document No.1976/99 relating to Ongole Town and the entire amount was got remitted into the Govt. Treasury through Challan No.8560, dt:21.7.1999. The sincere and vigorous effort was appreciated by the CIG, R&S in Lr.No.MV2/14933/99, dt: 31.8.99. In his entire service he never received any remarks and he received merit certificates from the Collector on Republic day in the year 1990, 1992 and 1994 and requested to drop further action against him.

6. Government after careful examination of the matter, hereby consider the explanation of the Charged Officer and decided to drop further action against Sri Sri D. Dasaradha Reddy, former Deputy Collector (Flying Squad), Registration & Stamps Department, Guntur district, now Retired as proposed in the memo 8th read above. Accordingly, further action against him is dropped.

7. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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